

# KAISER'S DRIVE TO SEA GAINS AS DIXMUDE FALLS

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Turkish troops and retreat of the Russians in Caucasia.  
Turkish forces in Armenia have fallen before the fierce dash of the Russian invaders, according to Petrograd dispatches. An attempt to flank the Russians was foiled. The Cos-

# ALLIES LOSE DIXMUDE BUT GAIN IN NORTH

PARIS, Nov. 11.  
Dixmude, the Belgian town around which was centered the hardest fighting in Flanders, has been captured by the Germans. This was admitted in an official statement issued here this afternoon.  
The statement showed that the Germans have renewed their drive to the French coast, which was temporarily halted by the cutting of the dykes in the lower valley of the Yser.

It stated that the battle had been resumed with great ferocity between Nieupoort and the River Lys. This is the first time since the Yser Valley was flooded that Nieupoort has been mentioned in an official report. This town is on the coast on the extreme left end of the Allies' line.

ALLIES GAIN AN EXTREME NORTH.  
Offsetting the admission that Dixmude had been captured, it is announced that Lombaertdye, north of Nieupoort, has been recaptured by the Allies.

The official communique follows:  
"On our left wing the battle was resumed yesterday morning with great ferocity, particularly between Nieupoort and the Lys. In a general way our front has been maintained. Despite the violence and the strength of the German attacks directed against certain of our points of support to the north of Nieupoort we succeeded in recapturing Lombaertdye and advancing beyond that locality, but toward the end of the day the Germans succeeded in taking Dixmude from us."

We continue to hold the outlying districts around this village.  
BRITISH MAINTAIN GROUND.  
On the canal from Nieupoort to Ypres, which has been firmly held, the battle was very hot. The British troops, themselves attacked at numerous points, checked the enemy.

On the rest of the front the general situation remains unchanged, except that there has been some progress by our forces to the north of Soissons, and in the region to the west of Vailly on the right bank of the Aisne.

Around the points atmospheric conditions have permitted only minor engagements. These had successful results for our forces. We have routed

# ADVANCES IN ARGONNE REPORTED BY GERMANS

BERLIN, Nov. 11.  
Fighting in the West continues without any decisive result, a statement from the War Office declares today. The situation in the Argonne remains favorable, and good advances have been made. It is asserted. Progress also is being made in the vicinity of Ypres.

The significance of the latest reports is increased by the fact that the words "good advances" are used in speaking of the conflict in the Argonne forest. This is the first time that this expression has been employed concerning the battles in this district.

The rout of a Russian battalion in Konin, Poland, by German cavalry appears to have been thorough, and while without great importance it shows the spirit that the German soldiers display on the offensive.

Special dispatches from Caernowiz, Bukovina, report important movements of Russian troops. They are taking the road to East Galicia, apparently as part of the campaign against Turkey.

Constantinople reports that the Turkish offensive movement on the Caucasian border continues despite the snow. The Turkish Government emphatically declares the report published by the Paris Temps of an outbreak among the Turkish Armenians is a "flat lie."

# GERMANS HELD AT BAY BEFORE ALLIES' DEFENSES

LONDON, Nov. 11.  
The allied forces yesterday gained ground north of Ypres, while severe fighting occurred south of that village without perceptible gain for either side.

The Allies are now firmly entrenched in the village of Ypres itself, from which they were not driven during the fierce assaults of the Germans the latter part of last week, although the Germans on Saturday advanced so far both on the north and south of the town that it was virtually surrounded by a slender line of communication extended to the rear.

The battle of Ypres, which began more than three weeks ago with the advance of the Germans up the north bank of the Yser after the British and Allies had effected a movement down its south bank, continues with fury, which has been described daily as beyond human endurance. Apparent signs of flagging strength on the part of the Germans are always followed by a renewal of their assaults.

Individual advances over the entrenched region are hopefully regarded as victories. Each one may mean the beginning of the final retirement of the enemy.

Bombarding the German positions along the coast both from the sea and air, the Allies are attempting to drive the Kaiser's troops back into the woods of Belgium and relieve the danger of an attack on the English coast. French and English aviators are making daring flights and dropping bombs on the German trenches. On Tuesday the British warships shelled the Germans north of the Yser for several hours.

Attempting to destroy a German division at Blankenberghe, on the coast southeast of Zebrugghe, an aviator either English or French, dropped a number of bombs. One of them killed a boy and wounded a Belgian citizen. It is impossible to learn whether there were any casualties among the Germans.

Numerous bridges in North Flanders have been blown up by the Germans, who have placed guns in the dunes of Het-ter to shell any British warships that approach the coast.

The Germans have been observed building deep trenches in North Flanders. This is never still. From the unusual losses inflicted upon the English and their troops, it is evident the Germans have continued their attacks against these contingents. The British are running short of officers and calls are being received from the front to fill gaps.

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# TURKS SEIZE FORT IN EGYPT; REPULSE RUSSIANS IN EAST

Constantinople Reports Success in Caucasia, Which Is Contradicted by Russians. Sweep Into Armenia Unchecked.

BERLIN, Nov. 11.  
The Turks are meeting with considerable success in their operations in the Caucasus and on the Egyptian frontier, according to an official announcement made by the Turkish Government and given out to the press in Berlin today.

Turks have captured Sukhbae fort at El Arish, in Egypt, and have taken four field guns from the enemy.

The Russians in the Caucasus have been forced to retire to their second line of defense.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 11.  
On the trans-Caucasian front, it is reported Russian successes continue, though reinforcements received by Turkish troops have resulted in fierce attacks upon the positions gained and fortified by the Russian troops. Numerous attempts have been made by the Turkish cavalry to strike the rear of the Russian forces invading Armenia and thus force an abandonment of the campaign against Erzerum, but these have been repulsed with heavy losses to the tribesmen.

An official statement says:  
"At daybreak near Koprakouli the combat was resumed with renewed force when the enemy launched against us troops concentrated in the region of Erzerum, which in their turn were reinforced from the garrison of that stronghold."

"To judge from the character of the Turkish attacks and such information as could be gathered, German officers commanded the Turks."

"In the afternoon the fighting assumed particularly tenacious character when the Turks supported their advance groups by fresh divisions. However, their attempted envelopment of one of our flanks failed."

"Thanks to the valor of our troops we were able toward evening, when the battle moderated, to hold all we had previously conquered. One of our columns took possession of positions at Karakille (Karakilisse) and Alashkert."

An official communication from the General Staff of the navy issued this evening says:  
"The commander of the Russian fleet on the Black Sea, Admiral Rozhanski, sighted a Turkish military transport filled with soldiers. Our gunboats approached the vessel and opened fire, sank it. Then the Russian fleet put to sea."

"Shortly afterward the Russian fleet sighted a Turkish naval column of two transports. Torpedobats sent to destroy these transports soon sighted a third one."

"The three transports, laden with ammunition, guns, automobiles and aeroplanes, were sunk. We saved and captured 28 men on the ships, among them several German officers and a staff officer who was bearing some documents. The prisoner declared that the transports were to be used to take troops to Trebizond."

# CZAR'S WARSHIPS SHELL FORTS ON BOSPORUS

Turkish Fleet After Sortie Back at Base.  
ROME, Nov. 11.—An official communication from Athens states that according to telegrams received from Constantinople the Russian warships, the Merkur and the Kugel last Saturday bombarded the Turkish forts in the Bosphorus and the coal depot at Heraclea.

The Turkish fleet, which was to meet the Russians has returned to the Bosphorus.

Several merchant vessels were destroyed at Heraclea during the bombardment.

# MOSLEM CHIEFS PLEDGE SUPPORT TO BRITAIN

Mohammedans of West Africa Avow Loyalty.  
LONDON, Nov. 11.  
Additional assurances of the loyalty of Mohammedan subjects of King George, despite Turkey's entrance in the war, were received at the Colonial Office today.

The Governor of Sierra Leone, the British possession on the west coast of Africa, has transmitted to the Colonial Office letters from various Mohammedan chiefs, all of whom declare the loyalty of their people.

"We are incessantly praying that Allah grant victory to England," is a typical expression of the Moslem leaders.

# JAP TORPEDO BOAT SUNK

Blown Up While Mine-sweeping in Kiao-Chau Bay.  
TOKIO, Nov. 11.  
The Japanese torpedo boat No. 33 was destroyed while sweeping for mines at the entrance to Kiao-Chau Bay. She struck a mine, but most of her crew was saved.

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By GRANVILLE FORTESCUE  
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The side of the Russian army permits this to be done with impunity. This superior superiority in the long run will give Russia a victory at every point.

Poland has been inundated with Russian corps. They have been able literally to engulf the Austrians. Lack of artillery is made up in the number of infantry in action. There is no better infantry in the world.

The Russians charge to certain death with songs. All along the Russian front bayonet assaults of the most heroic character have been an common as it was in the days of the German-French line of battle.

On arriving at the German frontier the Russian army has a stupendous problem before it. Here the Germans have perfected every line of communication, until the supply of the army moves almost automatically. This means a great advantage. But winter will improve the transportation conditions for the Russians. As soon as Poland freezes the problem will be simplified.

Under ordinary circumstances the freezing winter cannot be expected for another month. During this month the Russian army will be pushed to points of contact with the enemy.

# AUSTRIANS STORM SERBIAN POSITIONS IN MOUNTAINS

Foe's Modern Guns Taken in Heavy Skirmishing.  
VIENNA, Nov. 11.  
Austrian troops are gaining ground in the fighting that goes on night and day in Serbia, according to an official report received here today from Field Marshal Potiorek.

Servian positions in the mountains have been stormed and captured.

The Field Marshal's report follows:  
"Severe fighting at the foot of the mountains on the line of Shabatz and Lomnitsa continued all day Monday and into the night. Some strongly fortified positions were stormed and taken by the Austrian troops."

"South of Planina our troops advanced farther into the district east of Lomnitsa, Krupanj and Lubovica. Some heavy skirmishes occurred with the rear guard of the enemy, in which the Servians were repulsed. Numerous prisoners and some heavy modern guns were taken."

# TURKS SEIZE DUTCH SHIPS IN HARBOR AT SMYRNA

Consul's Protest Fails to Gain Release for Liners.  
ATHENS, Nov. 11.—In addition to two British ships, Turkish officials seized two Dutch vessels at Smyrna.

The Dutch Consul protested, but the Vail alleged that the ships carried merchandise belonging to enemies of Turkey, and he ordered the Ottoman flag hoisted on all the vessels.

# BULGARIA CALLS UP TROOPS

Summoning of Reservists Regarded as Meaning War.  
ATHENS, Nov. 11.—News that Bulgaria has called up six classes of reservists is regarded here as an indication that the Bulgarians soon will enter the war.

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# KING GEORGE CALLS ON PARLIAMENT TO MAKE VICTORY SURE

Nation Must Prepare for Sacrifices to Gain Triumph in War—Lords and Commons Reassemble.

LONDON, Nov. 11.  
England must triumph in the war with Germany regardless of any sacrifice that the gaining of final victory will demand. This was the message conveyed to Parliament today by King George in his speech, which provided the chief feature when the House of Lords and the House of Commons reassembled.

The King appeared careworn as he ascended the throne. He impressed upon the Lords and Commons the serious business ahead of the Empire, and declared that only war measures would be submitted during the present session.

"The energies and sympathies of my subjects throughout the Empire are concentrated upon the prosecution to a victorious issue of the war in which we are engaged," the King said. "We have summoned you because duty is paramount, and it is of supreme importance that you take whatever steps are needed for its adequate discharge."

"Throughout the area of conflict our army and navy continue to maintain their glorious traditions. We watch their steadfastness and their valor with thankfulness and pride. Throughout the Empire there is a fixed determination to secure, at whatever sacrifice, the triumph of our arms and vindication of our cause."

"The only measures to be submitted this session are those necessary for the attainment of the great purpose upon which the efforts of the Empire are set."

"Bad counsel and alien influences have driven Turkey to a policy of wanton defiance, an aggressive state of war now exists between us. My Muslim subjects know well that the rupture with Turkey was forced upon me against my will. I recognize with appreciation and gratitude the proofs they have hastened to give of their loyal devotion and support."

The signs of war were evident everywhere at the assembling of Parliament. Khaki-clad members of the House of Commons heard His Majesty's speech, and khaki-clad troops were on guard in place of the usual forces attired in glittering uniforms.

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# OTTOMAN THREATS TO KILL CHRISTIANS CAUSE U. S. INQUIRY

Ambassador Morgenthau to Investigate Authority for Alleged Reprisal Orders in Beirut.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.  
Officials of the State Department made efforts today to learn whether the Turkish Government is officially represented in the reported threat of the Turkish commander at Beirut that he would order the execution of three British or French subjects for every Muslim killed in the bombardment of any unfortified port.

The American Government is acting for the British and French at Constantinople and might have to take official cognizance of such alleged threats.

Ambassador Morgenthau, it is said, has been requested to ask the Turkish Government whether or not it stands responsible for the utterance of the Beirut official.

Mr. Morgenthau reported to the Department of State that the Turkish Minister of War had informed him that Turkey was anxious to conduct the war with Great Britain with all possible consideration to the non-combatants, but despite these assurances there is much concern over the safety of Americans in the war zone.

Turkey, according to its War Minister, has neither soldiers nor ships to send against its enemies to bombard their unfortified towns, and would have only one recourse—to hold the subjects of the enemy as hostages.

The commander of the Turkish forces at Beirut, in a formal note addressed to the American Consul General, and intended for the British and French Governments, declares that for every Muslim killed in the bombardment of any open and unfortified port three British or French subjects will be immediately executed.

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